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Applicant hereby petitions the Assistant Commissioner to grant a two (2) month extension of time, up to and including January 12, 2005, in which to respond to the Office Action dated August 12, 2004 in the above-identified application. The extension fee in the amount of \$450 may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1047. In addition, any deficiencies may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1047.

In response to the Office Action dated August 12, 2004, the period therefore having been extended by a Petition therefore and payment of the extension fee, kindly amend the aboveidentified application as follows: